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Our Vision

That all Kentuckians with mental illness, developmental & intellectual disabilities, substance abuse disorders, and/or acquired brain injuries will be able to lead lives of dignity and hope in accordance with their personal and individual choices.

That the Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities is recognized as the leader and innovator in development, administration and delivery of services and supports that are individually focused and cost efficient.

Our Mission

To provide leadership, in partnership with others, to prevent disability, build resilience in individuals and their communities, and facilitate recovery for people whose lives have been affected by mental illness, or other developmental or intellectual disability, substance abuse or an acquired brain injury.

Our Values

Respect...We believe that all individuals are valuable, and that they have the potential for growth and for the recovery of a meaningful, productive life.

Excellence...We believe that service is collaborative, represents consumer needs, assures optimal use of public resources, and achieves the highest possible standard.

Choice and Self-Determination...We believe that individuals should have the fullest possible control over their own lives.